

IN RECOGNITION OF "MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS AND YOU MONTH"

WHEREAS, motorcycle riding has become a popular form of recreation and transportation for thousands of people across the state and nation; and

WHEREAS, the safety problems created by motor vehicle operators should be of great concern to motorcyclists as well as to all other motor vehicle operators; and

WHEREAS, it is especially important that the citizens of our state be aware of motorcycles on the streets and highways and recognize the importance of motorcycle safety; and

WHEREAS, all motorcycle organizations, clubs, dealerships, groups, and highway safety officials in our state should join with the Georgia Motorcycle Safety Program and the American Bikers Active Toward Education (ABATE) of Georgia, Inc., in actively promoting safe operation, increased rider training, improved licensing efforts, and motorist awareness; and

WHEREAS, during the month of May 2002, all street and highway users should unite in the safe sharing of roadways throughout the State of Georgia.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Bob Young, Mayor of the City of Augusta, hereby proclaim May 2002 to be "MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS MONTH AND YOU MONTH" and ask all motor vehicle operators to unite in this effort to keep our streets and highways safe as motorists and motorcyclists share the roadways throughout both our community and all of Georgia.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have unto set my hand and caused the seal of Augusta, Georgia to be affixed this 27th day of April 2002.